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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

—Work was begun at R. D. Hume's Bay View Cannery to-day, preparatory to more active operations next week.

—W. B. Headington will commence work to-day at Fort Canby on a recent contract for the construction of a new building for officers' quarters at that post.

—A branch of the Astoria post-office has been opened at Dement's drug store. This will be a great convenience to the public, since Uncle Sam is too poor to provide lights and fuel for the main building on Custom House Square.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Common Council, which will be held this evening at half past 7 o'clock, promises to be one of the most important sessions ever convened in the city. The subject of improving numerous streets in the business portion of the city will be brought before the meeting.

—Astoria lacks buildings suitable for residences. Notwithstanding the fact that at least one hundred new houses have been erected during the past twelve months for such purposes, there is still a greater demand than supply. A few more business houses could be readily let if they were ready for occupants, who are waiting and wishing to go into trade here.

—Now comes in the gentle spring time, with a flavor of buds and blooms in the air and little bits of faint green grass coyly peeping from under the warm sides of old trees, and men going down on all fours, with a table knife, digging heads off of obstinate carpet tacks, and THE DAILY ASTORIAN budding forth to blossom into the ripe fruit of a leading home journal.

—We notice a paragraph going the rounds of the press concerning a life preserver from the ship John Rennie which has been picked up on Puget Sound. Some of our contemporaries are speculating as to the whys and wherefores of the discovery. It will be remembered that the John Rennie, the first time she left San Francisco last winter, for Astoria, was overtaken by a storm which did her considerable damage, and compelled her to put back for repairs. During the prevalence of the storm a man was lost overboard. No boats could be lowered, but in the hope of saving him several life preservers were thrown overboard, and the one found on the Sound is in all probability one of those. The man was not rescued.

—Mr. John B. Morris picked up recently on the beach, at the entrance to Tanzy creek, parts of two life preservers, one of which has the name "Pacific" upon it, and evidently came from the wreck of that steamer. This shows the drift of things lost at sea. The collision with the Orpheus, which caused the loss of the Pacific, occurred forty miles south of Cape Flattery, or about ninety-five miles north of the Columbia River, on the 4th of November, hence these waifs have drifted and tossed about nearly six months, to come in here, a contrary way from the usual course from the scene of that disaster, such as never before occurred on this coast. These relics must have gone a long way out to sea, then drifted south and returned with the northerly current, showing the impossibility of any hope for the struggling victims who may have been clinging to them.

—Webber & Co.'s salmon oil refinery at upper Astoria is nearing completion and will be in readiness for business this week.

—Parties interested in the San Francisco Post-office letter list, will find a copy of it at this office, on our Centennial Shingle Bulletin Board.

—Capt. P. Johnson of this city has purchased the sloop Ione, had her neatly and substantially repaired, and will soon set her afloat for the bay trade under command of his son Master Albert Johnson.

—J. W. Munson, Esq., of Cape Hancock one of our noted ship builders, has just completed a new sloop for Master Fred Wass which has been named in honor of Capt. Geo. Flavel, and will soon be engaged in the bay coasting trade. The new craft is 26 feet in length, 9 feet beam, and is a beautiful model.

—The Washington Independent says: "One of our immigrants took dinner at an Astoria hotel lately and was served with a dish of ox-tail soup and the soup being rather thin he complained to the waiter about it, when the latter explained that the soup was made out of a bob tailed ox which might account for it." That's too thin, Bro. Luse.

—There is one thing in starting a daily newspaper at Astoria which must not be overlooked. The telegraph is not yet completed. We can get no dispatches until it is completed. We shall endeavor to make the paper worthy of the support of all, and a credit to our growing city. We start at this time because of previous arrangements. The first of May is the beginning of the week. It is also the beginning of the 2d year of the Centennial year, and the signs are nearer right for success, starting now, than to wait for the telegraph line to be completed.

—When a man is through with his days work, and has partaken of his evening meal and wishes to rest, no better enjoyment can be afforded him, for 25 cents per week, than that of perusing the pages of a neat, tasty and interesting daily paper, such as we propose to make of the ASTORIAN. Try the experiment, and you will find that you will save the price of it for a full week every evening. It will enable you thus to make the acquaintance of your wife and family, and at the same time keep posted with respect to events transpiring at home and abroad.

—The following is a record of the voyages of the Oregon built ship Western Shore since she has been equipped for sea:

| | Days. |
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| From San Francisco to Liverpool..... | 104 |
| " Liverpool to San Francisco..... | 110 |
| " San Francisco to Astoria..... | 22½ |
| " Astoria to Cork..... | 101 |
| Total time three voyages..... | 317½ |

The first voyage was made to Liverpool before she was coppered. If any better record than the above can be proven we should like to see it.

—In starting the DAILY ASTORIAN we incur upon our already heavily burdened shoulders new labors and responsibilities. The publication of the daily will be the means of increasing the usefulness of the WEEKLY ASTORIAN. We shall make it much better with a daily than it has ever been in the past without this extra aid—and all we ask additional from our interior friends in compensation for this increased value to them is that they be prompt to furnish us with newsy items from their various sections—and an occasional dollar or two whenever it is due.

—Were the law regulating the rates of postage hung in each man's house and he be compelled to read it three times a day right along, yet half of them would try daily to forward six cents worth of matter for one cent, and the postmaster as regularly toss it under the table to be used for starting fires. In view of this fact it is recommended that Congress provide regulations to be printed and generally distributed as follows:

A one-cent stamp for a circular,
A two-cent stamp for a newspaper,
A three-cent stamp for a sealed letter.
All licked on in the right corner,
Lick brothers, lick with care,
On the right hand side, not everywhere,
Unless you want the postmaster
To make things hot and "cuss and swear."

—Wells, Fargo & Co. will not take silver in sums over \$5, and trade dollars only at current rates of discount. This is on the express order of Mr. Valentine.

—We have not had time to fully complete the canvas for advertising for the DAILY ASTORIAN. If any have been omitted, and will leave their orders at the office before "high twelve" to-morrow, their wishes may be fulfilled and all who desire to appear in the columns from the first issue can be thus accommodated.

—The material for a dramatic club resides in the vicinity of Youngs River, and visitors to that locality on the occasion of the excursion this afternoon will be well entertained, the managers of the picnic have spared no pains to make the excursion in every particular a success.

—Victory is sometimes accomplished before a blow is struck in laudible undertakings. Resolution and a bold stand for the right is more than half the battle. The noble fight that has been made for Astoria the past three years, presages the future successful building up of a commercial city of no mean importance here.

—It is probable that some who may wish to become subscribers for THE DAILY ASTORIAN have not been called upon by the canvassers. If you have not sent in your name, and desire to do so, we shall be pleased to see you at our office to-day. Friends who may not want the weekly and the Daily, may have their balances if any be due, credited to them in full from this day, on Daily account.

—Thomas Bramel of this city, and Geo. Birchard of Grays river, have received the badges which they are entitled to wear as veterans in the service of America in the war with Mexico. The badge worn by Mr. Bramel is such as is given to Infantry men. It is in two parts connected with red white and blue strips of ribbon. The upper part is in an oblong form, and bears the inscription: "National Association of Veterans." The shield has various devices, such as a frigate, artillery gun, castle, wreaths, ornaments etc., and bears the names of prominent places captured by the Federal forces, and also the names of Scott, Perry and Taylor, 1846. The medallions are cast from the metal of guns taken by the American army. Mr. Bramel was a member of the second Illinois Infantry. Mr. Birchard was in the Navy. The President of the Texas Pacific Railroad has tendered free passage to any and all veterans who may pass over that road going to or coming from Philadelphia during the time of the Centennial exposition. It was thought for a time that the Central Pacific Railroad Company would extend the same favors, but it is now considered doubtful, as the company are waiting to see whether Oregon is going to give them \$9,000,000 for the Winnemucca wing, and as there is little prospect of such donation, no our part, as a State, there is a corresponding prospect that if any veterans wish to travel over the C. P. R. this year, or at any future time, they will pay the same as other webfeet pay.

—Dr. Welch finding that it would not be possible for him to quit Astoria at the advertised time accepts the situation like a good dentist (as he is), and still remains at No. 10, Occident Hotel.

—Aaron Kinney, Esq., of Cathlamet, W. T., has been appointed agent for the sale of tickets in the Seattle Lottery, under the management of Mr. H. L. Yesler. The drawing will come off on the 4th of July, all rumors to the contrary notwithstanding. Mr. Kinney is an excellent business man, and the selection of agent for the Columbia river could not have been bettered.

—Any person inquiring for a fine quality of liquor, and can appreciate the same, can find the genuine J. H. Cutter Whiskey and Millers extra Old Bourbon, at the "Columbia Bar" saloon Astoria, with Geo. Usherwood late of Portland to cater to their tastes. Gentlemen will please give us a call. Cigars of a fine quality also on hand. JAS. M. LYNCH, Prop.

—The smoke at Knappton is not all smoke, but no fears of destruction to property are entertained, as the slab pile does not connect with the mills or other buildings.

Current Events of the Day.

—The first four months of the Centennial year has been wiped off our Calendars.

—The O. S. N. Co. now dispatch the Astoria and Portland boats at 5 o'clock a. m., daily.

—The city is in sad need of roads, and it is hoped that the Council will order some this evening.

—The Caller On and Wave Queen, have both chartered to load for Great Britain we understand.

—J. Niederaner has a fine blooded setter belonging to Capt. Ankeny, in process of training at Astoria.

—Pile driving began this forenoon on a new dock between Capt. Flavels and R. D. Humes docks for Mr. F. A. Fisher.

—Capt. Kempff scored nine, and bagged a handsome lot of pigeons on a short trip to the game pastures this morning.

—Hon. W. D. Hare who has been very ill and confined to his room for some time past is again able to attend to business.

—Badollet & Co., began the work of putting up fish on Friday last. Five hundred fish were put up the first two days.

—The time of the Gatherer is up to-day. If she does not reach Cork to-morrow bets must be decided in favor of the Western Shore.

—Mrs. Pangburn, Masonic Hall Building, is agent at Astoria for Dr. Warner's Sanitary Corset, noticed elsewhere in these columns.

—Capt. N. K. Mudge did a day and a half's work with his pile driver in half a day last Thursday, having driven 30 piles in five hours.

—Squemoqua is a bad word to use in poetry, but then there is more truth than poetry in THE ASTORIAN advertisement on the fourth page.

—Mr. Abner Seelye, well and favorably known in Clatsop County, died on the 25th ult. in Tillamook county, in the 64th year of his age.

—Comodore Connor arrived in New York on Wednesday last, and will sail with the new steamer G. W. Elder, for San Francisco, on Wednesday next.

—By favor of Hon. J. H. Mitchell, the Pioneer and Historical Society's Library in this city is in regular receipt of valuable Official Gazettes, from Washington.

—On Saturday last the drawings for the new Astoria Public School building were completed and turned over to the Directors by Messrs Bain & Ferguson. They are on exhibition at Capt. Flavel's office.

—Mr. M. J. Kinney has just made another important purchase of real estate in Astoria, connecting with the water front recently purchased by him of Capt. R. Hobson.

—The British ship River Lune, pilot P. Johnson, tug Brenham, arrived yesterday from Portland partly laden, drawing 18.9 feet. The river is at its highest stage. She will take on 200 tons at the Farmers dock next Friday.

—W. B. Ross, Esq., of this city left this morning for a tour of Puget Sound, canvassing for subscriptions to Mrs. Young's popular book. He will act as agent for the ASTORIAN. We hope our Seattle friends will extend him their right hands to-morrow.

—The pupils of the Public School and the Parish School of Rev. T. A. Hyland, were treated to a May Day excursion leaving the Farmers wharf at nine o'clock this morning on board the fine little steamer Gen. Canby for Knappa. The start indicated a joyous trip.

—Capt. P. E. Ferchen requests that the person who took his umbrella from the Episcopal Church Vestibule on Easter Sunday evening by mistake, return the same, if he is done with it, as the Captain wishes to use it again.

—At a meeting of Astoria Lodge No. 40, I. O. G. T. held on Saturday evening the 29th ult., the following officers were installed for the ensuing term: T. S. Jewett, W. C. T.; Miss Emma Horn, W. V. T.; R. M. Davis, W. S.; John Bozart, W. C.; H. T. Spedden, W. F. S.; Mrs. D. K. Warren, W. T.; G. W. Raymond, W. M. Miss S. Joplin, W. I. G.; Frank P. Hobson, W. O. G.

—A new School house, 30 by 22 feet in size, is in process of construction at the upper town. Mr. Powers, who has taken a very active part in the educational interests of the district, is pushing this good work along.

TO OUR PATRONS.

Subscribers to THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN who wish to take THE DAILY ASTORIAN instead, may have the transfer made on our mailing book at any time, and the balance (if any), due them on the weekly account, will be placed to their credit on the daily account. If it should prove to be the case that the daily will not meet with patronage sufficient to justify the publication then the weekly would, in such event, be again sent to them. We shall be pleased to give all an opportunity to assist in testing the experiment as to whether a daily newspaper can be made to live in Astoria. We believe it can be successfully maintained, to the direct advantage of every inhabitant.

—We sincerely hope that the people of Benton county may succeed in their efforts to get a steam tug on Yaquina bay bar. The losses there are traceable solely to the want of such aid to commerce. With a suitable tug on that bar a very considerable increase in the commerce of the bay would be certain. We are disappointed at seeing the evidences of hostility to such improvement from certain sources, but, believing in the development of all Oregon, without respect to locality, we of this section shall take pleasure in recording the success of Capt. Winant, in his efforts to foster the commercial interest of Yaquina bay. It is true the merchandise and products of Benton and surrounding counties, in the event of success in the proposed enterprise at Yaquina, would not to such extent as now, come past our doors, but the people there would prosper more assuredly with direct trade, and that is what we want to see everywhere, liberal minded, and prosperous people.

Something Nice for Ladies

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

Please state for the benefit of the ladies of Astoria that Mrs. A. D. Wass, at her millinery rooms on Chenamus street, in Brown's building, over Mr. Van Dusen's store, has just received a fine assortment of new linen suits, wrappers and linen dusters. They are something new, very convenient to have, and ladies will do well to call and inspect them before sending to Portland or elsewhere for such articles. Her stock of hats and trimmings is also very nice, and worthy of inspection.

Warner's Sanitary Corset.

—We are unqualifiedly an advocate of any worthy invention of reform in woman's dress. Mothers know the need of reforms in this respect, and we recommend to our lady readers Dr. Warner's Sanitary Corset, which is constructed upon strictly physiological principles, and while it preserves the beauty and grace of the form better than most other corsets, it does so without the least injury to health or comfort. It affords a convenient and efficient support for the underclothing. This is very important, for the weight of the clothing crowding down upon the bowels is one of the most frequent causes of the weakness so prevalent among women. No corset can be a perfect supporter that does not support the skirts in front as well as at the back. No other corset does this.

—It combines three garments in one, a corset, a skirt supporter, and self-adjusting pads, and yet costs no more than an ordinary corset.

—In ordering, give size of waist instead of number of corset usually worn. Twelve silvered rings accompany each corset; four of these should be sewed to the bands of each of the skirts. To secure the advantage of this corset the rings must be used and the skirts supported by the hooks.

Mrs. M. A. Warner is general agent for Oregon and Washington Territory, Third street, near Morrison, Portland, Oregon.

—The Youngs River excursion will leave the O. S. S. Co.'s Dock at 6 o'clock this evening, on board the steamer Gen. Canby.